



**Northern Ireland
Fire & Rescue Service**



NORTHERN IRELAND FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE

THE FIREFIGHTERS' PENSION SCHEME REGULATIONS (NORTHERN IRELAND) 2015

CARE SCHEME

**Death Grant and
Balance of Guaranteed Pension**

Nomination of recipient



DEATH GRANT AND BALANCE OF GUARANTEED PENSION NOMINATION OF RECIPIENT

In the event that you should die in service as a member of the Firefighters' Pension Scheme Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015, the NIFRS would pay a death grant, normally equivalent to three times your pensionable pay at date of death. To whom would they pay it? This is at the absolute discretion of the NIFRS. But they will decide who, in their opinion, the most appropriate recipient is. Or recipients. When making such a decision they can take account of the wishes of the firefighter. You can make your wishes known to the NIFRS, at any time, by completing the nomination form attached to these notes.

If you die after retirement but before having received at least five years of pension instalments, the balance of the instalments you have not received will be converted to a lump sum and, like a death grant, would be paid to the person or persons that the NIFRS, at their discretion, believe appropriate recipients. By completing the nomination form you would make your wishes known to the NIFRS in respect of this payment, too.

The fact that the NIFRS has absolute discretion as to the recipient of the death grant or balance of guaranteed pension means that the payment would, under current tax rules, is exempt from Inheritance Tax. Even if the NIFRS decide that, in the circumstances, the payment should be made to the legal personal representatives of the firefighter responsible for the administration of his/her estate.

You can complete the attached nomination form at any time. Or you need not complete it at all. If you do decide to complete and submit it, please note the following:

- you can nominate a single person or several persons; if you nominate more than one beneficiary, indicate the percentage of death grant or guaranteed pension balance that you wish each nominee to receive and ensure that the total of all nominations is 100%;
- if any nominee has a change of address, please ensure the NIFRS is kept informed;
- if your circumstances or wishes change, you must tell the NIFRS right away otherwise their decision, based on the nomination you gave them, may not be what you would have wanted; you can change or cancel the form at any time;

The attached nomination form should be detached from these notes, completed and forwarded to:

HSC Pensions, Orchard House, 40 Foyle Street, Derry, BT48 6AT

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First read the notes. Then, if you wish to proceed, use BLOCK CAPITALS to give the details requested below/overleaf, complete the declaration at the end of the form, detach the form from the notes, and return as directed.

YOUR DETAILS

Surname

Forename(s)

Date of birth National Insurance No.

Employee number

Home address

.....Postcode.....

NOMINATED BENEFICIARY OR BENEFICIARIES

Surname

Forename(s)

Address

.....Postcode.....

Proportion of death grant to be paid to this beneficiary % of 100%

Relationship to Member

Surname

Forename(s)

Address

.....Postcode.....



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If you wish to nominate more beneficiaries, give their details on a separate piece of paper in a similar format to that shown above, and attach to this form.

DECLARATION

I have read the notes attached to this form. I wish to nominate the beneficiary or beneficiaries as named here to receive, in the proportions shown, any death grant or balance of guaranteed pension payable upon my death as allowed under the Firefighters' Pension Scheme Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 or in any similar provision under a subsequent Order.

I understand that this nomination revokes any earlier nomination made by me.

I further understand that the NIFRS may, without being bound in any way to do so, have regard to this nomination but, under the above Scheme, have absolute discretion as to the recipient(s) of any death grant or balance of guaranteed pension and as to the proportions payable.

Signed **Date**

Service No

